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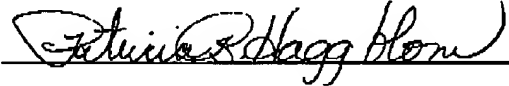
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BOTTOMED CONTAINER AND METHOD FOR DOING THE SAME
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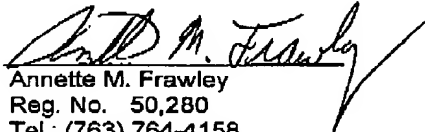
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An Issue Fee Transmittal was sent by First Class Mail to the USPTO to Mail Stop Issue Fee dated November 19, 2004. The return postcard was received from the USPTO on November 29, 2004. In reviewing our Deposit Account, it is noted that the funds to cover the issue fee for the above-identified case were withdrawn on November 23, 2004. To date, nothing further has been heard. Please provide a status report for this application.

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